Giants Lose Opening Home Game-Dodgers Win in Eighth-Ruth Gets His Third Homer

Ceremonial Hoodoo Bobs Up In Fatal Error by Bancroft

22,000 Fans Witness Downfall of McGraw's Men and Parade Headed by Ex-Governor Al Smith; Phillies Nose Out a Six - to - Five Victory

By Charles A. Taylor

The Giants, after some ten days' play in the bushes of Boston and Philadelphia, opened their home season at the Polo Grounds yesterday with a defeat. The despised Phillies did the defeating by a score of 6 to 5. A consensus of the returns from various statisticians indicated that twenty-two thousand fans witnessed the catastrophe. And yet it could not be called a catastrophe, for the Giants ran true to their record.

The oldest rooter on hand was unable to tell when the Giants had won ! their first game on the home lot. The customary ceremonies and the presence of a brass band apparently have always been too strong a combination.

It was hoped that the losing hoodoo would be broken yesterday by the would be broken yesterday by the widely advertised announcement that ex-Governor Al Smith would throw out the first ball. Al seems to be just about the most popular member of the numerous band of "ex's" which had their fruitage in the November election.

And Al, accompanied by a squad of the "finest," marched across the grounds from the specially contrived left field

from the specially contrived left field entrance to the accompaniment of the Giants' national anthem, "Manumy," and the usual acclaim of the thousands of watchful waiters.

Bill Brennan Forgets Al

But ex-Governor Al was cheated out of his opportunity to throw out the first ball, and Umpire Bill Brennan, a returned prodigal to the big leagues, was responsible. Bill was so absorbed in his own debut that he ignored the ex-Governor standing in a box back of the Giants' bench with arm poised and ready to do the official hurling. Umpire Bill said "Play ball!" and the game was on.

The word game is used most inadvisedly, for it was not an honest-to-goodness ball game. There were a sufficient number of long hits to satisfy those who judge things from the slugging angle only. But the fielding end, with here and there a bright spot, was, on the whole, far from the big league standard. it ex-Governor Al was cheated out

standard.

Ed Brown, of San Antonio, and Casey Stengel, of Kansas City, relieved the monotony somewhat by their really marvelous activities in their respective outposts in the far gardens. Brown gave the Giants a chance to catch another breath in the first inning by his sterling work. Little Johnny Rawlings was the first to bang a screaming drive out Brown's way.

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but San Antonio Ed made a most uncanny scoop-up after a long run and held the mighty effort of Rawlings to a double. Hardly had Brown recovered from his exertion, when Cy Williams smashed another twisting liner to center and here again "San Antone" performed an amazing stunt. He made a single out of a two-baser.

Phillies Land on Toney

wild ones and strolled.

Bruggy fouled out to Snyder. Le Bourveau hereupon appeared as pinch hitter for Betts, who had relieved Hubbell as moundsman for the Phillies. "Le Bevo" hit a teasing grounder to Bancroft, which Dave fumbled until the winning run carried by Meusel was duly recorded.

The score:

WHLADELPHIA (N. L.) NEW YORK (N. L.)

the second stanza. It looked terribly woeful for Fred Toney, the way these lowly persons were hitting the ball. Four doubles and a single constituted the toll off Big Fred.

The Giants scored their first run in the second, Long George Kelly doing all the necessary work himself with a smash over the left field fence.

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Baker Reinstated To Good Standing By Judge Landis

CHICAGO, April 21.—J. Franklin "Home Run" Baker, to-day was reinstated in organized baseball by Federal Judge K. M. Landis, Commissioner of Baseball. Baker, who has been with the team since the spring training trip, is eligible to get into the game immediately.

Colonel Jacob Ruppert, part owner of the Yankees, announced with his widest smile in the press box at the Polo Grounds yesterday afternoon that Baker was back in the field. The Colonel showed the telegram he had received from Judge Landis, restoring Baker to favor in organized baseball.

The evidence submitted to Judge Landis showed that Baker was guilty of no offenses against organized baseball and that he had not played against any ineligible players last year. Baker laid off during the entire season of 1920, but played in independent games with the Chester (Pa.) club with the permission of the New York owners. He never was in any sense a contract or reserve jumper.

Honey Walker walked, Kelly tried for another four-base blow to left, but it was only a triple, which tallied Honey.

Davey Bancroft lost the game for

In the fourth the McGraw men picked up another run on an error, a base on balls and a single by Brown, and in the next frame still another tally was added to the New York total by reason of two singles and a double steal by Burns and Bancroft. The Phillies scored in the sixth on a single by Meusel, an error by Bancroft and a sacrifice fly.

In the Giants' portion of the sixth

Sporting News in Bulletin Form

Giants lose opener at home; Dodgers rally for victory. Ruth gets third homer as Yankees beat Athletics.

'Home Run" Baker is reinstated by Judge Landis. Kumagae and Miss Zinderstein win in finals on courts. City Caused says law cannot stop 'treme-eventry on in park on Sunday.

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John B. Shath, chairman of New Jersey Besting Commission, dies of substantial actor speciation.

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By Walloping Tigers

And Red Sox Win, 1—0

Biston. April 11—San Jones, in the strength of present the strength of the stre British internationalist beaten at tennis by young American. French government to support Parls in fight for 1924 Olympiad.

Widow to Get Umpire's Pay CINCINNATI, April 21. — President John Heydler announced here last night that the National League will present to the widow of Umpire Pete Harrison a full year's salary of her husband. Harrison died last winter after a long siege with tuberculosis. The amount will be paid in two installments, half this year and half next year.

Jack Wolfe Is Knocked Out CLEVELAND, April 21. — Danny Kramer, of Philadelphia, knockeu out Jack Wolfe, of Cleveland, in the fifth round of a scheduled twelve-round bout here to-night.

Philadelphia, 6; New York, 5.
Brooklyn, 4; Boston, 2.
Pittsburgh, 8; Cincinnati, 7.
Chicago-St. Louis (rain). Two-base hit-McInnis, Sacrifices—Vitt. Milan. Double plays—McInnis, Scott and McInnis; Jones. Scott and McInnis; Mogridge, Harris and Judge. Left on bases—Hoston, 7; Washington, 1. Bases on balls—Off dones, 2; off Mogridge, 2. Struck our.—By Jones, 4; by Mogridge, 2. Umpires—Wilson, Dinnen and Nallin. Time of game—1:17.

Xavier Prep Beats Carlton
Stessens, of Xavier Prep, held Carlton Academy to three hits yesterday afternoon at Xavier Field and the Prep boys won by a score of 4 to 1. Stessens did not allow a hit until the eighth inning and struck out nine men.

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Games lost | 2 2 4 3 5 5 4 | | Indianapolis, 5; Toledo, 0. Milwaukee-Minneapolis (rain). No other games scheduled. Philadelphia at New York,
Boston at Brooklyn.
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh.
Chicago at St. Louis. BASEBALL TO-DAY, POLO GROUNDS, Baseball to-day, Ebbets Field, 8:10 P. S. GIANTS vs. PHILA-Adve. M. Brooking vs Boston-Adve.

Movie of Two Men Trying to Think of a Phone Number : :



With Many Gifts; Then Trim Browns

Helps to Score Three of Cleveland's Four Runs

CLEVELAND, April 21.-Cleveland's world's baseball champions opened St. Louis, 4 to 3. The opening ceremonies were featured by the presentation of numerous gifts to the Cleveland players, including an automobile and a cowboy saddle and bridle given to Manager Tris Speaker. The saddle was the gift of Speaker's friends in his home town, Hubbard, Tex.

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.. 32 3 5 24 10 1 Totals. Two-base hits—Sisier, Speaker, Bagby (2). Elmer Smith, Stephenson, O'Neill, Sewell. Three-base hits—Gerber, Jacobson. Sacrifices—Stephenson (2). O'Neill, Left on bases—St. Louis, 4: Cleveland, 9. Bases on balls—Off Bagby, 2; off Shocker, 2. Struck out—By Shocker, 2; by Bagby, 2. Urapires—Evans and Hildebrand. Time bf game—1:36.

White Sox Lift Lid By Walloping Tigers

STANDING OF CLUBS

GAMES TO-DAY

the Giants in the eighth, which Meusel Indians Showered Neis Doubles With All Sacks

Alabama College Recruit Bernie Faces Two-and-Three Count When He Scalps Braves and Causes Squire Ebbets to Chortle

The National League season was officially opened at Ebbets Field their home season to-day by defeating yesterday afternoon when the champion Dodgers took a fail out of their

All the frills were put on yesterday afternoon, including a paid attendance that tickled the cockles of the Squire's heart. There was a band and a parade of the players, with Uncle Wilbert Robinson and Fred Mitchell anchor men, and Old Glory was thrown to the breeze to the strains of "The Star-Spangled Banner." Charles Herculas missed the parade (forgot his two-gallon beaver, by gum), but his friend, Harry M. DeMott, president of the Mechanics Bank, made a Burleigh Grimes heave of the first pitch, so everything was square.

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As a ball game it was a corker for any official opening. Couldn't have been improved upon, even in the fastidion.

Neis Makes Winning Hit

Bernie Neis, the diminutive out fielder, won the C. H. Ebbets cast iron lifepreserver emblematic of exceptional merit under fire at Flatbush Field. Neis won the game for the home "nuts" with one of the prettiest pinch hits ever seen on any pasture.

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Loaded and Two Out in Eighth

International League

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS

Jersey City, 5; Buffalo, 0. Newark, 3; Syracuse, 2. Toronto, 5; Baltimore, 3. Rochester, 4; Reading, 3.

GAMES TO-DAY

STANDING OF CLUBS

The score:

BOSTON (N. L.)

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Browled, ss. 3 d d

Browl

Southern Association

Chattanooga, 5; New Orleans, 3.

Atlanta, 7; Mobile, 6.

Memphis, 14; Nashville, 0.

By W. J. Macbeth

improved upon, even in the fastidious imagination of the Squire, unless it had ended in a draw and furnished occasion for some other kind of an opening. Taken by and large, it was an exhibition of heady pitching, snappy fielding and heartfelt effort in every line of diamond endeavor.

New York, 6; Philadelphia, 1.
Boston, 1; Washington, 0.
Chicago, 8; Detroit, 3.
Cleveland, 4; St. Louls, 3.

STANDING OF CLUBS

Games lost | 1 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 6 |

GAMES TO-DAY

New York at Philadelphia.

Washington at Boston.

St. Louis at Cleveland.

Detroit at Chicago, innings; darkness).

Memphis, 14; Nas
Chattanooga, 5; N
Birmingham, 2; L

Buffalo at Jersey City.
Syracuse at Newark.
Toronto at Baltimore.
Rochester at Reading.

Totals ...31 2 6 25 12 2 Totals ...30 3 10 27 18 5 *One out when winning run was scored,

prate. Barbare hit into held Watson to third.

This drew in the Dodger infield and developed the first real punch of the game, for Southworth singled past Olson, scoring Watson and putting Barbare on second. It did seem as if Olson gave this grounder the old "Tillie Shafer." He didn't make a move for the ball, which skipped within a yard dyers, who stepped on the state of the sta

TAMPA, Fla., April 21.—Frank Taberski, of Schenectady, N. Y., world's undefeated pocket billiard champion, to-day, by defeating Arthur Howard, 125 to 0, won his three hundredth consecutive game, said to be a world's record.

Totals 34 2 7 24 13 1 Totals 27 4 5 27 12 2 *Batted for Watson in ninth inning.

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Mays Pitches Third Victory For the Yanks

By BRIGGS

'Babe" Also Collects Two Doubles and Single; Ward Stars in 6-to-1 Triumph

Ruth Three Weeks Ahead of Schedule

2. April 20-Russell, Bost. (L) 3. April 21-Moore, Phila. (L) 1 1920

2. May 2-Jones, Bost...(R) 1 3. May 11-Wilkinson, Chi.(R) 1

Special Correspondence of The Tribuns PHILADELPHIA, April 21.—Carl Mays, the big blond hurler of the Yankees, turned in his third straight victory of the season when he turned back the Athletics at Shibe Park this afternoon, 6 to 1. Carl received substantial aid from Babe Ruth, Bob Meusel and little "Erin" Ward. Ward's defense at third base was

nothing short of marvelous, for he cut off at least three drives that were ticketed for extra bases. Miller Huggins, the silent little manager of the Yankees, was first to shake Ward's hand at the end of the eighth inning, when the Athletics broke out of the whitewash tub in their first home game of the year.

of the year.

The Yankee third baseman had nine chances, and most of them were hard. He reached the peak, however, in the eighth inning. With Witt on first base, "Erin" dove into the dirt and came up with Dugarle areash making a force with Dugan's smash, making a force play. Later he dove headlong and came up with Welsh's drive and nailed him at frst.

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but Newark pulled the game out of the fire in the ninth.

Tommy Ray started Newark to victory in the minth, when he led off with a single. Tipple sacrificed and Walter Schultz, the Syracuse pitcher, walked Shields and Madden, filling the bases. Walsh hit one toward third. Schultz grabbed it and in throwing struck Ray and the shortstop scampered over the plate with the winning run.

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Syracuse pitcher, walked to the box. Meusel ended the inning in their half. They threatened all sorts of dire things for Mays, but never got beyond the stage of threatening. Dykes started with a strike-out, but Witt singled to center and advanced when Dugan bounced a single off Ward's chest, Brazill beat out a hit to Fewster, but Witt neglected to slide into third and Fewster's quick throw to Ward nipped "Whitey" off third. Clarence Walker then made the fourth straight hit, a single to short, filling falloway, Struck cut By Moore, 4, 50 the bases. Perkins ended the inning Mays. 2 Double play Fewster, Peekin
Syracuse (i L.) Syracuse (i L.) Stolen bases. Perkins ended the inning pitches and with the pitches and but the first of a double and the inning with the

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